

Key Labor Unions in Western Europe Said Controlled by Militant Communists

London—Militant Communists are in control of key labor unions in Western Europe. They could damage, perhaps wreck, its defense against Russia in time of war.

On a signal from Moscow, it is likely too that Red-led strikes and sabotage could hamper new American plans to step up the atomic potential of the NATO countries.

Those conclusions are drawn from a United Press survey of Communist strength in labor unions among our closest allies in Western Europe.

The Reds failed in their first open drives after World War II to grab economic and political control in France and Italy through mass strikes and direct labor front attacks.

But they have now won major successes by less direct methods—seizing key positions in union councils, touching off flash strikes to keep their "shock troops" in trim and engaging in almost unnoticeable subversive activities.

The picture varies enormously in different countries. Great Britain's Communists only last week won top-level control of the 230,000-man Electrical Trades Union. Its members are in a position to bring the nation to near paralysis by throwing switches in every big factory.

In France and Italy they maintain control through gigantic trade union federations which are completely under Red domination.

In West Germany, where the Communist party was outlawed last year, their main effort is aimed at quietly getting seats for Communists on work councils in major industrial plants.

Only in Scandinavia, the Netherlands, Austria and Switzerland—and, of course, Spain and Portugal where Communism is not tolerated—is their influence negligible.

Most Western European Communist parties are on record as endorsing strikes or sabotage in case of war with Russia.

French Communist Maurice Thorez and Italian Palmiro Togliatti declared in 1949 that the people and workers would welcome the Soviet army "in pursuit of the aggressors."

In Britain former Communist party secretary general Harry Pollitt declared an "imperialist aggressive war against the USSR" would lead to strikes to "prevent the war from being carried through."

None of those statements has ever been changed.

Ernest Border and daughter from Seattle were recent overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Chamberlain.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Stonebraker visited at the home of their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stonebraker and family in southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Millard from Vanderhoff, Canada, arrived Tuesday, Dec. 14, to visit with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jim West and family. The Millards were former residents of the valley, moving to Canada a couple of years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. George Millard were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ashpole on Thursday, Dec. 12. The Millards are visiting several of their friends while in the valley.

Miss Yetta Olsen has requested that mothers of high school students and former Eagle Point High school students look for any high school library books that should be returned to the school library.

It has been reported that Sam Keim is improved and is expected to return to his home on Friday of this week. Mrs. Keim was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Huffman Dec. 11.

Mrs. Ray Barrow was released from the Sacred Heart hospital Monday afternoon, Dec. 9. Mrs. Barrow is reported to be improving. Mrs. Collier is substituting while Mrs. Barrow is confined to her home.

The Eagle Point Lions club will sponsor their second annual Christmas decorating contest for the best home or business decorated in the Eagle Point vicinity. According to Glenn Clymer, chairman, \$10 first prize, \$7.50

second prize, \$5 third prize, and \$2.50 fourth prize will be awarded.

All entries are to be judged on originality, overall beauty, and seasonal theme. Contestants should leave their name at Olsen's confectionary or give it to Clymer, Hillcrest 6-1231. Entries will be judged prior to Christmas eve.

The Eagle Point Home Extension unit met Thursday, Dec. 12, at the home of Mrs. Edward R. Chamberlain with 29 members and 4 guests present. Following the dinner the Christmas bazaar was held and a box was prepared for a needy family as the extension project for this Christmas season.

The Eagle Point Community Bible church Missionary Christmas meeting will be held Dec. 19 at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Dave Kahl, 330 South B street.

On Friday, December 20, any women who wish should go to the home of Mrs. Edward Chamberlain to help prepare the treats for the Christmas gathering. They will meet at 1 p.m.

The Eagle Point Community Bible church Christmas program will be held Sunday night, December 22, at 7:30 p.m. The public is cordially invited.

Clarence Webster is reported improved following a round of flu. He has been confined at the home of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Lester McFall, for the past week.

Ben Hilton, reporting on flood control, said completion of the Army Engineer's report on flood control in the Rogue river basin should be expedited. Upstream watershed conservation and related flood prevention should be an integral part of planning and not an afterthought, he said.

The board conducted a similar report meeting in Medford Wednesday and was in Gold Beach today.

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GRANDVIEW-LONE PINE Cubs Sell Christmas Trees

By LILLIAN KNIGHT
Grandview-Lone Pine—Cub Scouts of pack 44, accompanied by several of their leaders and fathers went Christmas tree gathering Saturday near Prospect, on land owned by Elk Lumber company.

The trees are being sold by the Cubs on the lot between the George Paul and the Art Coulter place across from the Grandview market. Between 35 and 40 Cubs participated in the project.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fazio and family hope to move into their new three-bedroom home they are building on Roberts rd. right after the first of the year. It is a frame building with double siding on the lower half and shakes on the upper half.

The Fazio's have three small children, Mike, with his brother-in-law, Pat Lynch, purchased the Builders Service on the Crater Lake highway from Harry Birch. Lynch and his family have bought the plot of ground next to the Fazio's and will build on it in the near future. Birch still has an interest in the store.

Mrs. Fazio and Mrs. Lynch are identical twin sisters. Both families came here from Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Roberts and family spent Thanksgiving and the weekend with Mrs. Robert's sister and family in Los Angeles. They visited Disneyland while they were there.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Westcott of Reedsport, Ore., are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lindsay and family, having arrived before Thanksgiving. They are the parents of Mrs. Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gasparotti and family have moved from their Crater Lake Ave. home to 701 Park ave. The children will finish this semester at Lone Pine school.

The Reverend and Mrs. Martin Brown, baby daughter, Marilyn, and Paul Wilson were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Knight, Saturday, Nov. 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sams and two little boys left for Los Angeles Saturday, Nov. 30, where he is now stationed as a pilot for United Air Lines.

A 16 Keith Herdman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Herdman of 1021 N. Central ave., was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Knight Saturday evening. He is home on leave for the Christmas holidays from his base at Fairchild Air Force base, Fairchild, Wash. He is with the 92nd Air Police Squadron there.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Davis and family have purchased the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ebson and are in the process of moving from their present home on Sherman st. The oldest girl will enter Lone Pine school. Mr. and Mrs. Ebson are at the present renting the Paul Gasparotti home on Crater Lake ave.

Dinner guests at the M. R. Archibald were Mr. R. Archibald Jr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Glenn Archibald and family.

Mrs. M. R. Archibald is in Brookings this week visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. James Archibald.

Friday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m. the Christmas program will be held at the school. The Nativity and Christmas stories will be acted out to music provided by the various grades and the chorus. Santa Claus will be there afterward with treats for the children.

Wednesday, Dec. 4, Steve Whipple brought his Griffin creek school band to the Lone Pine school for a half hour recital. This was in return for the recital Richard Michaelis and the Lone Pine school band gave at the Griffin creek school on Nov. 5.

Most of the students are back in school after recovering from colds and the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Childers of Grants Pass were dinner guests of their son and daughter-in-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Childers on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard LaMont and two little boys have moved into the place on Roberts rd. formerly occupied by the Harmon Thurston family, who have moved back to Maine. LaMont is assistant business manager at the Sacred Heart hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ebson spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Ebson's parents in Oregon City.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Greiner of Los Angeles returned home Saturday morning after spending the Thanksgiving holiday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norris Jr. and family.

YMCA Christmas Tree, Wreath Sale Slated

A YMCA Christmas tree and wreath sale will be held starting Saturday, Dec. 14, and will continue until all items are sold, according to Gordon Williams of the Medford YMCA. The sale will be held at the YMCA.

Money from the sale will be used toward purchasing new equipment for the physical department. Ray Offord, physical education chairman, has donated the trees and Dr. William Roberts and his Boy Scout group have provided mistletoe, Oregon grape, fir and cedar for the wreaths.

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Judge Denies Elkins' Motions of Dismissal

Portland—Circuit Judge James W. Crawford Thursday denied motions of James B. Elkins to quash 10 bootlegging indictments pending against Elkins.

Elkins, chief state witness in the local vice probe, contended the indictments were in violation of an Oregon statute, the state constitution and the fifth amendment.

The indictments were returned in July of 1956 by a vice probing grand jury. Elkins claimed he was immune from prosecution on offenses about which he testified before the grand jury.

Missing KF Man's Truck Discovered

Klamath Falls—A pickup truck belonging to Walter Wayne Watkins, 50, Klamath county ranch foreman missing since Dec. 7, was found late Thursday in downtown Redding, Calif.

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